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Dear Sir:

Prior to the examination of this Application, kindly amend
this application as follows:

In the Claims:

In claim 4, Line 1, delete "one of claims 1 to 3" and insert
therefor -- claim 1 --.